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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Robert M. Grow et al.	)	
	)	Examiner: Elallam
Application No: 09/539,795	)	
	)	Art Unit: 2662
Filed: March 31, 2000	)	
	)	Confirmation No.: 9721
For: Switching Fabric Including a Plurality	)	
of Crossbar Sections (as previously	)	
amended)	)	

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT and REMARKS**

Dear Sir:

Applicants file this Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and Preliminary Amendment in response to the Final Office Action of March 28, 2005 and as a result of an Examiner Interview conducted on May 19, 2005. Please consider the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 13 of this paper.

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